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SUBJECT: DIEGO GARCIA AND SEYCHELLES - AIRCRAFT CLEARANCE  
SHIP VISITS

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1. WE REQUESTED AIRCRAFT CLEARANCES FOR DIEGO GARCIA PER  
REF (A) FROM CORMACK OF FCO ON JANUARY 14. HE PROMISED  
PROMPT RESPONSE AND FORESAW NO DIFFICULTY.

2. CLEARANCE PROCEDURES FOR AIRCRAFT LANDINGS AT SEYCHEL-  
LES ARE PUBLISHED IN FCG AFRICA AND SOUTHWEST ASIA SEC-  
TION P. 159. PAGE IS DATED 5 DECEMBER 1974. PLEASE  
PROVIDE DETAILS TO USDAO LONDON PER THOSE PROCEDURES  
AND WE WILL PROCESS. WE ANTICIPATE THERE WILL BE NO  
DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING EARLY CLEARANCE.

3. WE ALSO DISCUSSED USS LONG BEACH AND USS CAMDEN PORT  
VISITS TO VICTORIA WITH CORMACK. THIS WAS PRIOR TO RE-  
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CEIPT REF (B). CORMACK HAD NO INFORMATION ON TURN DOWN

ON JANUARY 14 BUT ON JANUARY 15 TOLD US THAT ORIGINAL REFUSAL APPARENTLY WAS DECISION TAKEN BY GOVERNOR OF SEYCHELLES WITHOUT REFERENCE TO LONDON. HMG IS NOW CONSIDERING U.S. REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION. THIS WILL REQUIRE EXCHANGE OF MESSAGES WITH GOVERNOR IF HMG DECIDES TO SUPPORT U.S. REQUEST. STAFF WORK ON QUESTION IS PROCEEDING TODAY. WE CAN EXPECT EARLY RESPONSE BUT PROBABLY NOT BEFORE JANUARY 16 OR 17. WE ARE WORKING WITH USNAVEUR ON THIS PROBLEM AND WILL CONTINUE TO PRESS FOR INFORMATION ON STATUS HMG DELIBERATIONS.

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